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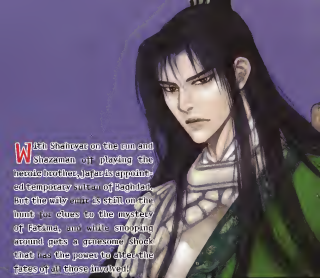
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SHARE  
THESE  
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DON'T FORGET TO  
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# One thousand and one nights 9

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**W**ith Shahmar on the run and Sherazade off playing the heroic brother, Jafar is appointed temporary sultan of Baghdad. But the wily snake is still on the hunt for clues to the mystery of Fatima, and while snooping around gets a gruesome shock that has the power to alter the fates of all those involved!

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EMIR JAFAR.\*

\*EMIR A TITLE OF HIGH OFFICE HISTORICALLY USED IN THE MEDIEVAL MUSLIM WORLD

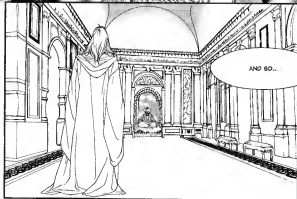


YOU MAY ENTER



I, EMIR JAFAR, AM HERE TO RECEIVE AN ORDER FROM THE CALIPH \*\*

\*\*HACI CALVALIA IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF MUHAMMAD \*\* AND A LEADER OF THE MUSLIM WORLD. HE HAS A POLITICAL AND MILITARY LEADER RATHER THAN A



AND SO...



...SHAHRYAR, ONCE A HERO OF ISLAM HAS BETRAYED HIS PEOPLE AND ALLOWED THE CRUSADERS TO OCCUPY JERUSALEM...



...AND SHAHRYAR'S BROTHER, SHAZAMAN, HAS GONE IN PURSUIT OF HIM FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESTORING THEIR FAMILY HONOR...



...BUT YOU ARE  
TELLING ME THAT  
ALL THIS IS THE  
DOING OF A  
MERE WOMAN  
BY THE NAME OF  
FATIMAH

OTHER SULTANS AND  
EMIRS WOULD THROW  
YOU INTO A DUNGEON  
FOR SUCH TALK.



ANYWAY, THE  
REASON I HAVE ASKED  
TO SEE YOU...



...IS TO APPOINT  
YOU TEMPORARY  
SULTAN OF  
BAGHDAD.



I WANT YOU TO  
CARRY OUT THE PLAN TO  
TAKE BACK JERUSALEM  
UNTIL SHAZAMAN'S  
RETURN.



I..I..

EVERYONE AGREES  
THAT YOU ARE THE  
RIGHT PERSON FOR THIS  
IMPORTANT MISSION.



I ORDERED  
SHAZAMAN TO  
BRING SHAHRYAR  
BACK UNHARMED.  
IF ANY PROBLEMS  
ARISE, WE CAN  
DISCUSS THEM  
LATER.



YES...  
C-LIPH.











FATIMAH!



YOU WITCH...

HOW DARE YOU...



...DECEIVE BOTH  
SHAHRYAR AND  
SHAZAMAN...

THEY WHO ARE  
LIKE BROTHERS  
TO ME...



YOU'D BETTER  
TELL THE CALIPH  
WHAT YOU'VE  
DONE.

WHAT YOU'VE DONE  
TO SHAHRYAR AND  
SHAZAMAN...



IF YOU  
REFUSE,  
I WILL KILL  
YOU WITH MY  
OWN BARE  
HANDS.





!!  
MMMM

SAY...



...SOME-  
THING!



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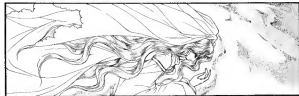
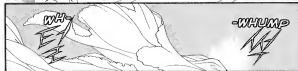


WH-WHAT  
THE— P!!



THIS HAIR IS  
DYED BLONDE  
P







SHAKRYA,  
YOU DIDN'T  
DO ANYTHING  
WRONG.

I KNEW NOW  
HOW MUCH YOU LOVED  
ME, AND...

...I DIDN'T  
ENJOY HURTING  
YOU AT ALL.

YES!  
IT'S ALL  
MY FAULT!

BOTH  
YOU AND YOUR  
FATHER WERE  
DECEIVED  
BY ME!

THAT'S WHAT  
I WANTED!  
SO WHAT?

FATIMA...

FATIMA...  
THAT'S NOT  
WHAT I MEANT.  
I WAS JUST...

NEED...

FATIMA  
IS DEAD.

THERE,  
ARE YOU  
SATISFIED?

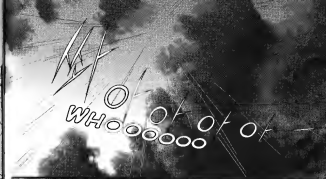
DID YOU FEEL  
REMORSE...

...JUST TO HEAR  
ME SAY THAT?

FATIMA...

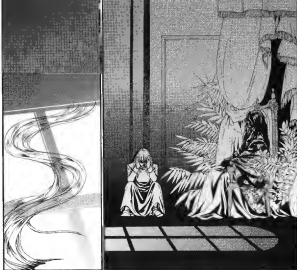
WHAT?

SHE DIED HERE  
IN THIS DESERT.















AHHHHHHH!

ONHHK



COME  
OOON!



SHA-  
ZAMAN...

DROP THE  
SWORD!



IT'S TOO  
DANGEROUS...

KRRRAKOOOM



KRRRA

KROOM



AH!



OH, ALLAAAH-!



YOU  
STUPID MORONS!  
COME BACK!

SHAZAMAN!











I ALWAYS  
FELT GUILTY  
ABOUT YOU.

BECAUSE I WAS  
THE ONE WHO TOOK  
MOTHER FROM YOU.

SH  
HH  
OF

I CAN  
UNDERSTAND  
THE PAIN YOU  
AND FATIMA  
FELT.

WHENEVER  
I THOUGHT  
OF HER...

...I FELT I OWED  
YOU. YOU DIDN'T DO  
ANYTHING WRONG...

BUT ONCE AGAIN,  
BECAUSE OF ME...

EVERYONE  
BECAME  
UNHAPPY.

BUT WE ARE SLAVES  
WHO MUST PROTECT OUR  
LAND, OUR RELIGION  
AND THE PEOPLE OF  
OUR KINGDOM.

WE'VE FORGOTTEN  
ABOUT OUR DUTIES  
BECAUSE WE ONLY  
THOUGHT ABOUT OUR  
OWN FEELINGS.







THIS SPEAKS  
LAMECH, SON OF  
CAIN, THE FIRST  
MURDERER —

"IF CAIN  
SHALL BE  
AVENGED  
SEVENFOLD..



HA-HA-HA-HA



"...HEarken  
unto my  
speech: for  
I have slain  
a man to my  
wounding..

"...AND A  
YOUNG MAN  
TO MY HURT"

"...TRULY  
LAMECH SEVENTY  
AND SEVENFOLD!"

K  
R  
A  
K  
O  
O  
M



YOU ASKED ME  
TO RESEARCH "THE  
FIRE THAT CAN NEVER  
BE EXTINGUISHED."  
IT IS CALLED  
"GREEK FIRE."

I DISCOVERED  
THAT IT IS A  
SUBSTANCE  
WHICH CAN  
START A FIRE  
THAT CANNOT  
BE PUT OUT  
BY WATER.

BUT I HAVE  
BEEN UNABLE TO  
WORK OUT ITS  
FORMULATION.

THIS WAS  
NOT THE ONLY  
REASON YOU  
WERE BROUGHT  
HERE...

YOU HAVE MY  
APOLOGIES.



THE EGYPTIAN  
NAVY BURNED  
DOWN OUR SUPPLY  
SHIP USING THIS  
GREEK FIRE.

I WISH TO LEARN  
OF A METHOD TO  
EXTINGUISH ITS  
FLAMES AT THE  
VERY LEAST...



I WILL  
CONTINUE MY  
RESEARCH.

NO,  
THAT IS  
ENOUGH.



COME TO  
THINK OF IT,  
IT WAS FOOLISH  
TO BELIEVE WE  
WOULD UNCOVER  
ITS SECRETS IN  
THIS PLACE.



YOU HAVE KEPT  
YOUR PROMISE, LORD  
MACLEOD.



A KNIGHT'S  
WORD IS HIS  
BOND.



THE PROMISE  
MUST BE KEPT.



HERE...THIS IS  
NOT PAYMENT FOR  
YOUR WORK...

IT IS A  
GIFT.

?!



SAN KUO  
CHIN YEN-E...

THE ROMANCE OF THE  
THREE KINGDOMS.

A THOUSAND YEARS  
AGO, THERE WERE  
THREE KINGDOMS  
IN CHINA THAT WERE  
AT WAR AGAINST  
EACH OTHER.



OH!  
THANK YOU!

YOU ARE  
WELCOME.  
I WANTED TO  
GIVE YOU THIS  
AT LEAST.



THIS IS A NEW  
NOVEL. IT MUST  
HAVE BEEN HARD  
TO COME BY...

IT APPEARS  
THIS BOOK IS  
POPULAR AMONG  
THE CHINESE...

WHAT KIND  
OF BOOK  
IS IT?



THIS BOOK IS  
ABOUT THE HEROES  
OF THOSE THREE  
KINGDOMS.

IT IS A TALE  
RECOUNTING  
THEIR BRAVERY,  
WISDOM, AND  
LOYALTY.





DO YOU MEAN TO  
SAY IT IS THE TALE OF  
CHINESE KNIGHTS  
OF OLD?

YES, IT IS NEWLY WRITTEN,  
WITH **IS** YOU OF CHINESE AS  
THE PROTAGONIST.

A STORY OF HEROES...  
I TOO AM CURIOUS...



ONCE YOU FINISH  
THIS BOOK, WILL YOU  
TELL ME THE STORY?

PAUSE  
ON  
★



I WILL  
TRANSLATE  
THE BOOK SO  
YOU CAN READ  
IT YOURSELF.



IF I SUCCEED  
IN DEFENDING  
JERUSALEM FROM  
ISLAM...

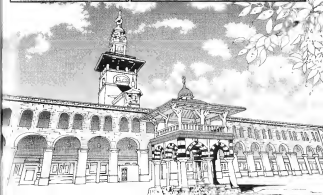
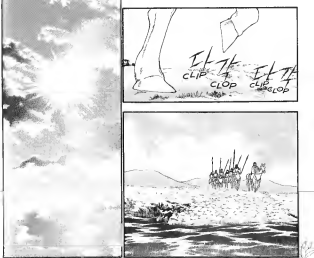
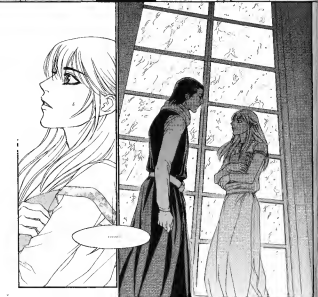
...I WILL RETURN  
TO MY COUNTRY.

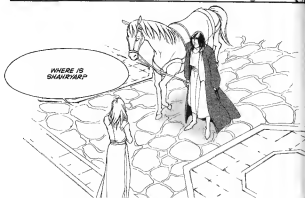


COME WITH ME.



I...I FEAR YOUR REPUTATION  
WILL SUFFER IF YOU ALLOW  
A PAGAN SUCH AS I TO  
SERVE YOU.







One thousand  
and one nights







DAUSE  
다우세

NOOOOOO!!

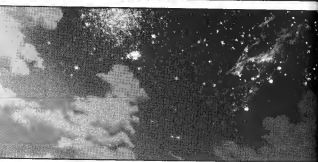


I WILL KILL  
HIM!!!



...I WILL KILL HIM...





SEHARA,  
WHAT BRINGS  
YOU HERE?



YOU WERE ABLE  
TO TRANSLATE THIS  
MUCH IN 1 DAY...  
AMAZING!

I HAVE ONLY  
READ OVER IT  
ONCE, SO THE  
TRANSLATIONS  
MIGHT LEAVE  
SOMETHING TO  
BE DESIRED.





DO YOU HAVE  
SOMETHING  
YOU WANT TO  
TELL ME?



NO, YOUR  
HIGHNESS



SO...  
I WILL TAKE  
MY LEAVE.

YOU MUST BE TIRED.  
GO TO YOUR ROOM  
AND GET SOME REST.



APPROXIMATELY  
ONE THOUSAND YEARS  
AGO, CHINA WAS DIVIDED  
INTO THREE WARRING  
KINGDOMS

THE THREE KINGDOMS  
WERE WU, RULED BY  
JO JO; CHU, RULED BY  
BI YOO; AND OH, RULED  
BY KWAN SON.



BI YOO FROM CHU HAD  
TWO SWORD BROTHERS,  
WOO KWAN AND BI JANG



AMONG THE THREE  
SWORD BROTHERS, WOO  
KWAN WAS THE KINDEST  
AND BRAVEST. HE WAS  
RESPECTED BY NOT ONLY  
HIS PEOPLE, BUT ALSO  
HIS ENEMIES.

IN THE YEAR 199,  
BI YOO FAILED TO  
ASSASSINATE JO JO,  
AND HE WAS ON  
THE RUN.

SEO JOO (HAB)

I CANNOT BELIEVE WE  
WERE TRICKED BY JO  
JO AND THAT HE HAS  
TAKEN PORT HABU  
ALONG WITH BI'S  
FAMILY.

I AM TOO  
ASHAMED TO LOOK  
BI IN THE EYE.

SOMEONE  
APPROACHES!





IT IS YOU, RYO JANG \*

WOO.



DID JO JO  
SEND YOU?

I VOLUNTEERED.



DO YOU  
REMEMBER?

THE FIRST TIME  
WE BATTLED TWO  
YEARS AGO...



BACK THEN,  
YOU WERE A  
GENERAL OF  
MASTER JO'S  
ARMY...

WHENEVER MY  
SWORD MET YOURS,  
I FELT A GREAT  
REGENERATION  
THROUGHOUT MY  
WHOLE BODY.

IN THE END, THAT  
BATTLE WAS NEVER  
DECIDED.

PO YSO'S ARMY,  
WHICH WAS KNOWN  
TO BE THE BEST, WAS  
DEFEATED BY MASTER  
JO'S ARMY.

BUT YOU  
BEGGED  
MASTER  
JO...

...TO  
SPARE  
ME.

PO AND I  
HAD FOUGHT  
TOGETHER FOR  
A LONG TIME.

YOU'RE PROUD,  
AND I DIDN'T  
THINK...

...YOU WOULD  
BOW DOWN BEFORE  
MASTER JO...

AS I GAZED UPON  
PO'S CORPSE...

...THE THOUGHT OF  
TAKING MY OWN LIFE  
CROSSED MY MIND.

YOU WERE  
WORTH THE  
EFFORT.

AND I AM  
SURE YOUR  
MASTER, JO JO,  
KNOWS THAT  
THE BEST.



THAT WAS THE LAST  
TIME I KISSED BEFORE  
JO JO. IT WILL NOT  
HAPPEN AGAIN.



I'VE LOST  
EVERYTHING.

I SHOULD  
THANK JO JO  
FOR ALLOWING  
ME THIS ONE  
LAST BATTLE  
AGAINST YOU.



BI YOO AND  
BI JANG...



DO YOU WISH  
TO FOLLOW  
YOUR SWORN  
BROTHERS TO  
THE GRAVE?



...MAY STILL  
BE ALIVE.

!!



WE WERE BORN ON  
DIFFERENT DAYS, BUT  
WE SWORE THAT  
WE WOULD DIE ON THE  
SAME DAY...

...BENEATH A  
BLOSSOMING  
PEACH TREE...



EVEN THOUGH  
THEIR ARMY WAS  
LOST... NO ONE HAS  
SEEN THEIR BODIES.



YOUR DEATH  
WOULD BE  
IN VAIN, AND  
YOU WOULD  
DO WRONG BY  
YOUR BROTHERS  
IF THEY STILL  
LIVE!





IF YOU BECOME MY  
SUBORDINATE...

...I'LL SPIRE THE  
LIVES OF SH YOO'S  
SON AND WIVES.



COWARD...

ARE YOU GOING  
TO USE THEM AS  
LEVERAGE?



SH YOO  
WOULDN'T CARE IF  
I THREATENED TO  
KILL HIS FAMILY.



BUT YOU'RE  
DIFFERENT...

AM I NOT  
RIGHT?



THANKS.



FINE...



GOOD  
DECISION,  
WOO!



UNTIL  
I DISCOVER THE  
FATE OF MY SWORN  
BROTHERS...

I WILL  
DO AS YOU  
WISH.



WHAT IF...  
YOUR BROTHERS  
ARE DEAD?





A.D. 200  
WEDDING\*



PHOENIX WAS THE CAPITAL CITY OF NING, IT WAS NORTHEAST OF ANKING.



COME,  
WELCOME  
TOAST FOR  
HOO KYAN!



I AM BUT A DEBATED  
GENERAL. THANK YOU  
FOR WELCOMING ME.



AN-HA-HA-!

DON'T  
SAY THAT!  
YOU'RE AN  
IMPORTANT  
GUEST OF  
MINE!



BUT ENOUGH WITH  
THE FORMALITIES!



I FIRST  
MET WOO...



...WHEN WE WERE  
FIGHTING AGAINST  
TAK DONG IN  
SASUKWAN.



WAIT? YOU  
FOUGHT FOR  
DONG BACK  
THEN!



I COULDN'T  
FIND THE RIGHT  
MASTER, SO I  
DRIFTED AROUND  
IN THOSE DAYS.



GENERAL WOONG HWA  
WHO WAS UNDER DONG  
WAS PRETTY STRONG...

TRUE...

EVEN THOUGH  
HE WASN'T AS  
STRONG AS DO YSO,  
HE WAS STILL QUITE  
POWERFUL...



THIS WAS...

...ABOUT TEN  
YEARS AGO



A.D. 130  
SASUKWAN

SO WON...

...WAS SUCH  
A SNOB.



SO WON,  
THE LEADER OF  
THE KHANGONG  
ARMY AGAINST  
TAK DONG.





WOONG HWA  
SENDS YOU HIS  
REGARDS, ALONG  
WITH GENERAL  
BAN'S HEAD!



...DOES...

...ANYONE  
ELSE WISH  
TO TRY?

UGH...

*MURMUR*

MURMUR

IT IS TOO BAD  
THAT GENERAL  
RYANG AN AND  
GENERAL CHOO  
MOON HAVE NOT  
YET ARRIVED...

WOONG HWA IS  
NO MATCH FOR  
EITHER OF THEM

**QUIVER**

QUIVER

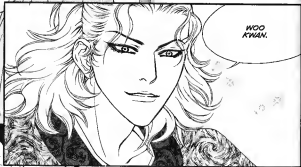
SHALL  
I GO?

NO.

LET HIM  
DESPAIR  
AWHILE.

I WILL BRING  
YOU THE HEAD OF  
WOONG HWAI

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DID YOU SAY  
YOUR NAME WAS  
WOO KWAN...?



DRINK THIS  
BEFORE YOU  
HEAD OUT.

IT'LL  
WARM YOUR  
BODY.



WHAT'S  
WRONG?

YOU DO  
NOT  
APPROVE  
OF THE WAY I  
POURED IT?



PLEASE LEAVE  
IT THERE.

I WILL DRINK  
IT UPON MY  
RETURN.

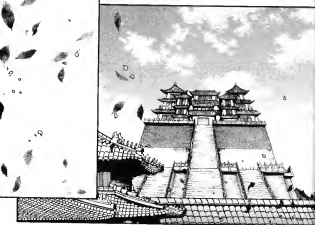


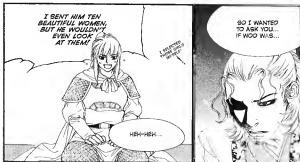














...AND  
SUN CHO,  
YEO'S WIFE.

TAK DONG AND PO  
YEO WERE SWORN  
FATHER AND SON.  
BUT CHO TAINTED  
THE RELATIONSHIP  
WITH HER BEAUTY.

I WANTED TO PIT  
BI YOO AND WOO  
AGAINST EACH OTHER,  
USING SUN CHO...

One thousand  
and one nights

I FAILED TO  
ASSASSINATE TAEK  
DONG, BUT SUN CHO  
ASSASSINATED HIM

I FAILED TO TAME  
PO YEO, BUT SUN  
CHO TAMED HIM

I RENT HER TO  
BI YOO AND HIS  
SWORN BROTHERS.

AS I'D THOUGHT, BI YOO WANTED  
HER FOR HIMSELF SINCE HE HAS THE  
HIGHEST IN RANK OF THE BROTHERS.  
AND BI JUNG WANTED HER BECAUSE  
BI YOO ALREADY HAD TWO WIVES

SUN  
SUDDENLY  
DISAPPEARED.

THERE WAS A  
RUMOR THAT WOO  
FORCED HER TO LEAVE,  
IN ORDER TO STOP THE  
FIGHTING BETWEEN HIS  
SWORN BROTHERS.

ANOTHER RUMOR  
HAS IT THAT WOO  
KILLED SUN...

EVEN  
THOUGH SUN  
WAS UNABLE  
TO SEDUCE  
WOO...

...IT LOOKED  
LIKE SHE WAS  
SUCCEEDING  
IN DIVIDING  
THE SWORN  
BROTHERS...

SO WHAT  
HAPPENED?

!!

I-I DON'T THINK HE WOULD...



EVEN SO, I'M STILL CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT BECAME OF SUN.

TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH...



...I'M SCARED TO ASK...

I THOUGHT YOU WERE HIDING HER UNTIL NOW.



OH! LOOK AT THIS.



WHAT IS IT?

WOO'S CLOTHES ARE ALL TOO WORN, SO...

...I WANT TO HAVE THESE MADE FOR HIM.



SO? DO YOU THINK HE'LL LIKE THEM?

YES... I THINK HE WILL.

HE APPRECIATES FASHION MORE THAN HE LISTS ON.



EXCELLENT!! THEN THIS IS THE ONE!

HFE-HEE!  
음하하



YOU YOURSELF ARE A FINE ARTIST.

TELL ME, DOES THIS LOOK LIKE WOO?

SURE... IT'S JUST A BIT OVER-THE-TOP...



I WAS ONLY GOING TO DRAW THE CLOTHES, BUT...









THESE CLOTHES ARE WORN BECAUSE I WEAR THEM ALMOST EVERY DAY. MY SWORN BROTHER, BI, YOU GAVE THEM TO ME.



I COULD NOT COVER THEM WITH YOUR GIFTED CLOTHING, EVEN IF THEY WERE IN TATTERS...

THAT IS WHY I HAVE WORN YOUR CLOTHES BENEATH THEM.



IT'S ALWAYS "MY BROTHER BI" THIS, "MY SWORN BROTHER BI" THAT.

BI'S YOUNGER, BUT HE REVERES HIM LIKE AN OLDER BROTHER!

ALL BI CAN DO FOR YOU IS LONG LIFE!

JO...



JO... I THINK YOU'RE DRINKING TOO MUCH.



RIGHT I'M SO TIRED OF THIS...

HOW COULD HE COVER MY LOVING GIFT WITH THOSE RAGS?



THIS ISN'T LIKE YOU.



I KNOW...



I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME.

WELL,  
TAKE CARE,  
WOO.

HOW CAN  
SOMEONE  
YOUR SIZE  
RIDE A HORSE  
LIKE THAT?

THANK YOU  
SO MUCH  
FOR THIS  
EVENING,  
MASTER  
JO.

THOUGH IT  
EMBARRASSES ME  
TO ADMIT IT...

...MY  
HORSE DOES  
NOT GROW  
BECAUSE  
I RIDE HIM  
SO HARD.

AND YOU  
CARRY A SWORD  
THAT WEIGHS  
FORTY-NINE  
KILOS...

WOO, WOULD  
YOU PLEASE COME  
HERE?

ARE YOU  
GIVING THAT  
HORSE TO  
ME?

B-BUT  
THAT IS

NO, IT IS  
YOUR RED  
HORSE  
NOW.

THAT RED  
HORSE...

...SUITS  
YOUR  
DARK  
SKIN.

THAT IS  
PO YEO'S  
RED HORSE.  
IS IT NOT?



THANK  
YOU.

I DO NOT  
KNOW HOW  
TO REPLY  
YOU...



THIS IS WHERE  
YOU SHOW ME  
YOUR SMILE...



TO BE HONEST...

...I MYSELF  
WAS AT A LOSS  
BECAUSE YOU  
DIDN'T SEEM TO  
LIKE ANY OF  
MY GIFTS.



YOU DIDN'T  
SHOW ANY  
INTEREST WHEN  
I GAVE YOU  
MONEY AND A  
GOVERNMENT  
POST...



I HAD NO IDEA  
YOU WOULD LIKE  
THE RED HORSE...



I TAKE IT YOU  
MUST LOVE  
HORSES?



SINCE I NOW  
POSSESS A  
HORSE THAT  
CAN COVER  
OVER EIGHTY  
LEIGUES  
A DAY...

...I WILL RIDE  
LIKE THE WIND  
TO WHEREVER  
I LIKE.





BI YOO!  
BI YOO!  
BI YOO!!



DAMN...

HOW IS  
YOU BETTER  
THAN ME?



WOO IS JUST  
BEING LOYAL.



IF WOO...

...HAD MET  
ME BEFORE HE  
MET BI YOO...



...WOULD HE  
BE MY SWORN  
BROTHER  
INSTEAD?



WOULD THAT  
BE POSSIBLE?



DON'T YOU  
RESPECT HIM  
ALL THE MORE  
FOR HIS  
LOYALTY?



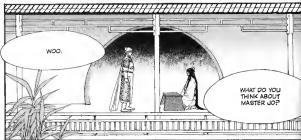
I'LL  
GO AND  
ASK HIM.



RYO!



DON'T TELL  
WOO THAT I  
SENT YOU.



WOO.

WHAT DO YOU  
THINK ABOUT  
MASTER JO?



I GREATLY  
APPRECIATE  
MASTER JO'S  
KINDNESS.

BUT  
I CANNOT  
STAY HERE  
FOREVER.



MY SWORN  
BROTHERS  
AND I VOWED  
TO DIE ON THE  
SAME DAY.

WHETHER THEY  
ARE DEAD OR  
ALIVE...

...MY PLACE  
IS WHEREVER  
THEY ARE.



...YOU'D  
BETTER  
THEM...

DR...



...WOULD YOU  
WANT THEM TO  
FOLLOW YOU?





PLEASE ALLOW  
ME TO FIGHT  
FOR YOU! I WILL  
BRING YOU A  
VICTORY!



IT IS NOT YET TIME  
TO IMPOSE ON YOU,  
GENERAL.



WHEN I NEED  
YOUR HELP, I  
WILL ASK YOU.



YOU ARE PRIME MINISTER  
OF THIS COUNTRY\* AND YOU  
ARE WEARING ARMOR AND  
LEADING THE ARMY YOURSELF.  
YET YOU SAY IT IS NOT TIME  
TO CALL ON WOO KWANG?

IF YOU DO NOT  
USE A GENERAL IN  
COMBAT, THEN WHERE  
DO YOU HAVE NEED  
OF HIM?

CLIP  
CLIP

CLOP  
CLOP

\*TAEJ TAKES PLACE BEFORE JO JO MADE HIMSELF THE KING OF SILL



WON HAS SENT  
RYANG AN, ONE OF  
HIS BEST MEN. HE  
MEANS BUSINESS...

CLIP  
CLIP  
CLOP  
CLOP



WHEN ARE YOU  
GOING TO USE  
WOO, IF NOT  
NOW?

CLIP  
CLIP  
CLOP  
CLOP

HOO-DON  
HAI!



FROM NOW  
ON, YOU AND  
I WILL DIVIDE  
OUR ARMY INTO  
TWO! YOU WILL  
LEAD AN ARMY  
OF 50,000!







WOO WANTS TO  
PAY ME BACK BY  
DEFEATING MY  
ENEMIES.

THEN HE CAN  
LEAVE HERE  
WHenever HE  
PLEASES...



WHAT I DO FEAR  
IS LOSING WOO  
KWAN...



I...

I AM NOT  
SCARED OF  
SO WON.



YOU MUST  
MAKE WOO FIGHT  
RYANG AN IN ORDER  
TO ENSURE HE DOES  
NOT LEAVE  
YOU.

PI



IF BI YOO IS  
STILL ALIVE, WHO  
DO YOU THINK IS  
PROTECTING HIM?



HE WAS WITH  
PO YEO, BUT PO  
BETRAYED HIM.  
SO HE CAME TO  
ME, SINCE I WAS  
AT WAR WITH  
PO...

BUT  
I BETRAYED  
HIM, SO IF HE'S  
ASKED SOMEONE  
TO HELP HIM, IT  
HAS TO BE SO  
WON...



YES, IF BI YOO IS  
STILL ALIVE, IT IS  
HIGHLY PROBABLE  
THAT HE IS UNDER  
WON'S PROTECTION.

IN THAT CASE...



...IF WOO KWAN KILLS  
RYANG AN, WON'S  
RIGHT-HAND MAN...



...WON WILL  
PREDICTABLY  
KILL BI YOO AT  
ANY COST!

THEN WOO WILL  
HAVE NOWHERE  
ELSE TO GO!

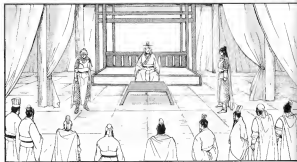


SEND A  
MESSENGER  
FOR WOO KWAN  
AT ONCE!



RIDE YOUR  
RED HORSE  
AND COME  
TO ME!

WOO  
KWAN!







PLEASE  
WEAR THIS  
IN THE  
BATTLES.



WHY  
SHOULD I...



...FINE.



ARE THERE NO  
MORE GENERALS  
TO FIGHT ME?!



?!



THE BLUE DRAGON  
SWORD...!



WOO  
KYANG?  
IS THAT  
YOU, WOO  
KYANG?







STILL  
AWAKE?

MASTER JO...



I MYSELF CAN'T SIT  
STILL AFTER SEEING  
WOO IN COMBAT...

I DON'T THINK  
I CAN SLEEP  
TONIGHT.



BUT AS YOU  
ALREADY KNOW...

...WOO IS FIGHTING  
ON MY SIDE ONLY TO  
RESAVE ME SO HE CAN  
LEAVE HERE WHENEVER  
HE WISHES...



WOULDN'T YOU  
AGREE THAT BI YOO  
DOES NOT DESERVE  
WOO KWAN?



TO BE HONEST  
I LIKE YOU...

THANK YOU.

HA!

...BECAUSE  
YOU'RE LIKE  
WOO KWAN



YOU RESPECT  
WOO SO MUCH  
THAT YOU TAKE  
THAT AS PRAISE.

BI YOO WOULD  
LIKE YOU AS  
WELL SINCE  
YOU'RE JUST  
LIKE WOO.  
WOULDN'T  
HE?

DO NOT  
THINK...

...THAT I WILL BE AS  
GENEROUS TO YOU  
AS I AM TO WOO.

WOO'S  
SWORD  
WILL BATHE  
IN BLOOD  
NO MORE.

WOO WILL ENTER  
INTO POLITICS WITH  
ME. AND TOGETHER,  
WE WILL LEAD THE  
WORLD.

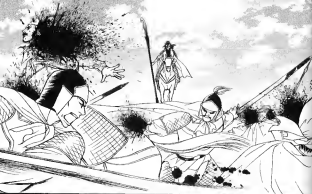
I'M GOING  
TO APPOINT HIM  
A GOVERNMENT  
OFFICIAL.

MASTER JO!  
AN URGENT  
MESSAGE!

SO WON HAS  
SENT GENERAL  
CHOO MOON  
THIS TIME!

HE AND  
HIS ARMY HAVE  
ALREADY CROSSED  
THE YELLOW RIVER  
AND SET UP BASE  
IN YUNJIN. THEY  
ARE IN HIGH  
SPIRITS!!

WHOOOOOOO  
OF OF OF



IT WAS AN INTERESTING  
STRATEGY TO MAKE WOO  
WEAR A MASK.



DID YOU SAY YOU  
WANTED TO BE  
LIKE WOO?

WHY DON'T YOU  
BECOME WOO KWAN  
THIS TIME?



IF YOU WEAR THAT  
MASK AND DEFEAT  
CHOO MOON.

CHOO MOON,  
TO BATTLE!

I HATE IT!  
YOU'RE A GREAT  
GENERAL ON PAR  
WITH WOO KWAN.

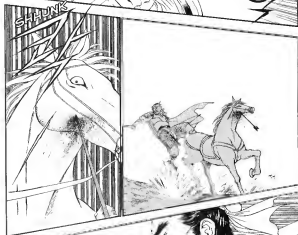


GENERAL MOON!  
THAT MAN WITH  
THE MASK AND  
LONG SWORD IS  
THE BASTARD  
WHO KILLED  
GENERAL AN!



SO  
IT WAS  
YOU!

SHHR



RYOOOOO!

RYANG  
WAS LIKE  
A BROTHER  
TO ME!

...WAS ABLE  
TO BEST  
RYANG!

THERE IS  
NO WAY THAT  
SOMEONE  
OF YOUR  
CALIBER...

KLANK

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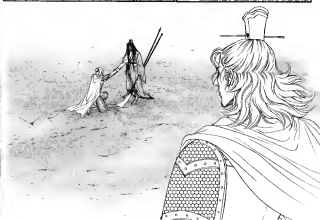
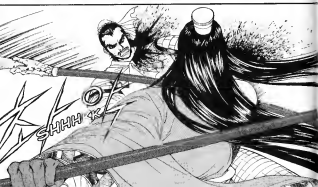
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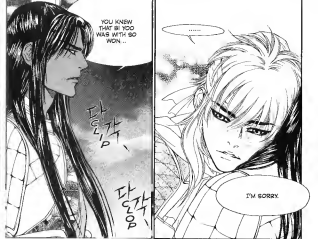
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NO MATTER  
HOW MUCH YOU  
EMULATE WOO  
KWAN...



...YOU  
COULD  
NEVER  
REPLACE  
HIM.



JUST  
AS I...

...COULD NEVER  
TAKE THE PLACE  
OF BI YOO...



## Special Commentary from the Writer JinSeok Jeon

### ONE MACHO MEN AND BOYS' LOVE

THE ROMANCE OF THE THREE KINGDOMS IS THE STORY OF MEN. THAT'S WHY FATHERS RECOMMEND THAT THEIR SONS READ IT, AND NOT MANY WOMEN ARE FAMILIAR WITH IT. DUE TO AN EXTREMELY MACHO STORYLINE THAT COMPLETELY EXCLUDES WOMEN, THE BOOK IS ALSO SOMEWHAT HOMOPHOBIC. THAT WAS WHY I WANTED TO INTRODUCE THE ROMANCE OF THE THREE KINGDOMS, WHICH HAS A VERY MASCULINE VIBE, TO THE FEMALE READERS OF ONE THOUSAND AND ONE NIGHTS. FOR EXAMPLE, SOME WOMEN DON'T UNDERSTAND MEN WHO ARE CRAZY ABOUT MOBILE SUIT GUNDAM AND COLLECT ITS MODELS. BUT MANY WOMEN WERE INTO GUNDAM SEED, WHICH HAD A VERY FEMININE SENSIBILITY. JUST LIKE WITH GUNDAM SEED, I WANTED NOT ONLY MEN BUT ALSO WOMEN TO TALK ABOUT THE ROMANCE OF THREE KINGDOMS. I WAS ALSO HAPPY THAT SO MANY MEN UNEXPECTEDLY SHOWED INTEREST IN THIS CHAPTER. I DREAM OF THE DAY WHEN THERE IS NO BOUNDARY BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN...



### TWO WOO KWAN, THE MAN WHO BECAME A GOD

WOO KWAN IS REGARDED AS A GOD, NOT ONLY IN CHINA BUT ALSO IN OTHER ASIAN COUNTRIES. THERE IS A LIKELY POSSIBILITY THAT WOO WAS OF ARAB DESCENT. HIS DARK SKIN AND BLUE DRAGON CRESCENT BLADE ARE TWO PIECES OF EVIDENCE THAT POINT TO THIS POSSIBILITY. WOO KWAN'S FAMOUS BLUE DRAGON CRESCENT BLADE WAS NOT USED IN CHINA AROUND THIS TIME, SO MANY PEOPLE ARGUE THAT WOO KWAN DID NOT ACTUALLY USE ONE, ALTHOUGH CRESCENT BLADES CAME TO CHINA FROM PERSIA. IN MICHAEL CRICHTON'S THE TWENTIETH WARRIOR, THERE IS A SCENE PORTRAYING THE MAIN ARAB CHARACTER REFORGING A STRAIGHT WESTERN SWORD INTO A MORE TRADITIONAL, CRESCENT-SHAPED, PERSIAN BLADE.



SINCE WOO KWAN PERSONALLY DESIGNED HIS BLUE DRAGON CRESCENT BLADE, WOULDN'T WOO KWAN BE OF ARAB DESCENT SINCE HE KNEW HOW GOOD A CRESCENT BLADE WAS, EVEN THOUGH IT HAD NEVER BEEN USED IN CHINA? IF THAT IS TRUE, WOO KWAN AND CHO-YONG FROM VOLUME 2 HAVE SOME SIMILARITIES, NAMELY THAT THEY ARE BOTH ARAB AND BECAME GODS AFTER THEY DIED.

# THE LOVE TRIANGLE IN SEUNG-HEE HAN'S STUDIO



NABI



JORO



JERRY



